

<u>WOMAN'S AUXILIARY</u>

TO THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

IT HAS BEEN my privilege and pleasure to visit thirty-two of the thirty-four organized county auxiliaries in the state. All have shown a deep interest and desire to better serve organized medicine.

All the auxiliaries are keenly aware of the Forandtype legislation and they are eager and willing to assist the county medical societies in alerting the public to the dangers of this type of legislation.

Many letters have been written to the congressmen from the respective districts regarding their stand on the Forand bill. The replies have been the same: "Unless the medical profession has a better plan I will vote in favor of the Forand bill."

The auxiliaries are interested in aiding their respective county medical societies in the program for the care of the aged.

At a recent meeting of the California Medical Association Council the following recommendations pertaining to the Auxiliary were approved.

- 1. That the Woman's Auxiliary to the C.M.A. be asked to undertake one or more of the following projects:
- (a) Develop and make available to all physicians in each city a directory of all facilities and services (state, community and private) available to the aged in their respective county.
- (b) Assume leadership in the development of homemaker services and training programs for nurse aides and others who work in nursing homes.

- (c) Cooperate with local agencies in development of sheltered workshops, senior centers, et cetera, and in the employment of those 65 or over.
- (d) Distribute or make available to physicians and the public, information on community services available to the aged.
- (e) Develop a list of all senior citizen clubs and citizen committees on aging in the state, as well as lists of other community agencies interested in the problems of the aged.
 - (f) Develop nursing aid training programs.
- (g) Send a monthly copy of Today's Health to each senior citizen club in the state.

Through this program the auxiliaries could assist their county medical societies and at the same time render an important service to the community.

Our Auxiliary is grateful to the California Medical Association for the excellent cooperation and for the many favors we receive.

To name a few: The C.M.A. budgeted \$4,000 for the printing and distribution of our state publication, *Courier*, this year.

We are receiving \$500 to help defray the expense of our convention in February.

All the mimeographing for the work-book distributed at the Fall Conference was done by the C.M.A. office personnel.

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California Medical Association

Presidents' Dinner Dance

Sunday, February 21

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